# Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society *News*



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The President's Corner: Ron K4FET

It is that time again, and shamefully this president's message will be highly truncated. Due to a month of traveling, I have been out of the net for the most part. I spent two and a half weeks visiting with family in Maine, during which time I managed to assist my son in installing a full 80-meter delta loop. Additionally, we went to Ham Radio Outlet in Salem, and he got the crimpers and Coax connectors necessary to make his own jumper connectors needed to interface his radios, antennas, etc., within his shack. So other than time, he is set up pretty well.

A couple of days after returning from Maine, I took off for a week to Rutledge, Georgia, to attend a reunion of most of the remaining east coast members of the "V Corps LRRP Company (Abn) that we all served in Wildflecken and Frankfurt Germany back in 1961-1964. I was the 19<sup>th</sup> member of the Company. That company was the first TOE LRRP Company (ABN) in the Army. It evolved to the A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> BN, 75th Rangers.

If I didn't have the backup of George Davenport as VP, David Hall as Secretary-Treasurer, and Bill lvey as Recorder, I would not have been able to attend these milestones. I want to express my appreciation to all three.

And then there is the distraction of Astronomy, which is another jar of worms. Today, I rented a 12" Auger (a beast). A friend and I drilled out a 12" hole that will contain a post to support my main telescope with. I am shooting for the end of November to have my Astro Pod in place.

Initially, I elected to give up Monday morning on the PT net, as I anticipated spending Sunday nights on the drop zones with my telescope observing. Well, the best-laid plans of men and mice... little did I know they had locked up the DZs. At about the same time, we had a batch of Possums who would not sing in 3 different possums. At that point, I elected to quit calling the Possum Net altogether. And we know how that went. My mornings, Mondays and Fridays are being called by Walter Baric, who isn't a club member. I am dismayed by the reticence and sloth displayed by the club members when it comes to filling these two slots. As a result, I will assume the Monday morning PT NCS effective the 21st of November. I don't want to see one of our oldest traditions go by the wayside for lack of staffing. Hopefully, someday someone out of the nearly 150 members we have will step forward!

And that is about it. I have genuinely enjoyed most of my two years as your president. I wish the incoming officers good luck and hope you have great tours.

73 de Ron K4FET

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	(PL 100 Hz)
	K4MN
2 m	146.910/146.310
70 cm	444.400/449.400
	K4MN
6 m	53.810/52.810

Club Repeaters

#### WA4FLR 147.330/147.930

2 m

## **Club Membership**

#### Dues

CFARS club membership dues are due and payable in January each year. CFARS does offer you the option to pay your dues no later than March. Yearly dues are \$15.00. CFARS offers a lifetime membership option for \$150.00. If your dues are not paid by March you will not be a voting member of the club. The right to vote on issues for the club comes with club membership. PO Box 36106, Fayetteville, NC 28303





## October 2022 Club Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Cape Fear Amateur Radio Society was held at 7:30 pm, Monday evening, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in the Fellowship Hall of the Peace Presbyterian Church, 3202 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC.

Vice President George KM4ODS called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country. Will KN4OTA gave the Invocation. George KM4ODS led the introductions in the usual CFARS fashion. We had 30 members and guests



present.

Don WO4SFA moved the minutes be approved as published on the website, second by Larry N4USB and the motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer:** David KO4RKR gave the Treasurer's Report. We had money, we made money, we spent money, and we still have money in the checkbook.

**Net Manager:** Larry N4USB reported the net times and checkins were about the same as last month.

**Health & Welfare:** Carl N4CFB was TAD out west someplace. George KM4ODS reported the deaths of George Lepins KE4HW (SK) and Fred Deem N4ZCG (SK).

**Repeaters:** Mike K4JWX said the repeaters were doing fine business and 440 has been linked to the internet.

Field Day: Position Vacant.

**Membership:** David KI4W reminded all the annual members they didn't have to wait to pay their dues, they could pay them now. David called up Chris Zets KQ4DVA and had him introduce himself. A vote was taken and Chris was accepted as a new member. Tyler Nichols KM4SUE was accepted as a new life member.

Contesting: No report.

**VE Coordinator:** Jim K4BUC reported we had a test session last weekend, (10/8), 5 people tested and all passed, we have 5 new hams in the area. The next test session will be on January 14<sup>th</sup>. Study hard and upgrade your license...

Swapfest: No report.

**Public Relations:** Dale AK4YS nothing to report.

**Newsletter:** Mike KN4XP is accepting submissions for publication. Send them to him so they can be put out.

Web Site: Steve KI4EZL has asked that items for inclusion to the website be sent to him.

ARRL Liaison: No report.

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**Possum Trot Net:** Ron K4FET was not present. Walter KG4JOK has stepped up to fill the Monday and Friday holes left in the schedule. Thanks Walter. You too can be a net controller, it takes commitment to spend a little time on a regular basis, relax, and enjoy talking to your friends and acquaintances...

## Skywarn: No report.

**Old Business** - George KM4ODS is still looking for input for K4MN QSL cards. Paul K4PGM reminded all the Constitution and By-Laws are published on the website. Take a gander and recommend changes.

**New Business** - The storage unit has all our stuff in it. It needs to be cleaned and re-stowed. There is a lot of stuff that is not needed for our usual operations. Maybe we could have a Club Garage Sale and re-home the unnecessary stuff. Don WO4SFA gave an invitation to anyone needing CFARS T-shirts, they are available from JEB Designs for a reasonable price. Dale AK4YS and David KI4W presented a new slate of officers for the club for 2023.

President	Dale AK4YS
Vice President	Hector KB4LOA
Secretary/Treasurer	Bill KJ4OFD
Recorder	Jeremy KN4JUY

Nominations from the floor were asked for – no takers. Ed N4ESA moved the nominations be closed and the slate of officers be elected by acclamation, second by George KM4ODS and the motion was carried, the officers listed above were elected.

#### Program

David K4FXC gave a presentation on the 440 repeater, and education about what a repeater was and how they work, linking repeaters thru the internet and other particulars. The 440 repeater will be linked to various nets during the week, George KM4ODS will send email with the schedule.

**Door Prize Drawing:** David KI4W said there was a lot of free stuff on the table, help yourself. Prizes went to David KO4RKR a Pelican Case, a TYT DMR transceiver and a Lentin Rose, Ron K4FET took home and electronics textbook.

**Door Prizes:** David KI4W didn't have a whole lot of stuff for this month. David KO4RKR won a backpack, Will KN4OTA won a book on ARDUINOs care and feeding; Mike KN4UNI won a map and a small tackle box.

#### Announcements: None

**Adjournment:** Don WO4SFA and Ferguson KK4MCY moved to adjourn and George KM4ODS did just that. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm. Next month's meeting will be here on November 21<sup>st</sup>. Bring friends, new hams, folks with interest in ham radio... There were twenty-nine (29) members and one (1) guest present at the club meeting.

Submitted: Bill Ivey KJ4OFD Recorder/Secretary

CFARS Nets			Upcoming Hamfests	
Net	Day (s)	Time Local	Band / Freq	November 12, 2022 70th Annual Rockhill Hamfest Rockhill South Carolina
Evening Net	Daily	1900	146.910 Repeater	Rockhill, South Carolina ycars.org
Possum Trot	M - F	0500 - 0700	146.910 Repeater	November 20, 2022 Jarsfest
ADY Net	M - F	0810	SSB 3.855	Benson, North Carolina Jars.net/jarsfest-2022
CW Fix Net	Tues / Thurs	0730	CW 3.555	
DMR Net	Sunday	2000	TGIF 910 Talkgroup	

# **CFARS VE Testing**

The CFARS VE team, led by Jim K4BUC, will once again be administering VE exams in 2023. Here is the scheduled exam sessions.

Date	Location	Time
January 14 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM
March 18 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM
August 12 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Cumberland County Shrine Club 7040 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28311	9:00AM
October 14 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Peace Presbyterian Church 3203 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301	9:00AM

**REMINDER:** Exam candidates are **REQUIRED** to register in the FCC CORES system and receive a Federal Registration Number (FRN) before exam day. https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/ user.

## Menu for CFARS Eating Meeting 12/19/2022 @ 7PM Southern Coals Restaurant. 3319-C Raeford Rd. Please mark your selections. Email to Marty W4MLW at carolinapret-

zel@yahoo.comby12/7/2022

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Call Sign\_\_\_\_\_

Pick Your Meat	Prices are as follow:	
Chicken Breast	1 meat	
Leg Quarter	2 sides	
Pulled Pork	Dessert	
Brisket+ \$2.00 upcharge	Bread	
	Drink	\$11.00
Pick Your Sides		
Mac and Cheese	2 Meats	
Baked Beans	2 sides	
Green Beans	Dessert	
Collards	Bread	
Potato Salad	Drink	\$15.00
Cole Slaw		
	1 Meats	
Pick Your Bread	3 Sides	
Cornbread	Dessert	
Dinner Roll	Bread	
	Drink	\$13.50
Dessert		
Banana Pudding	2 Meats	
C	3 sides	
	Dessert	
	Bread	
	Drink	\$17.00